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In re application of

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NOVEL MUTANTS OF GRAM NEGATIVE MUCOSAL BACTERIA AND APPLICATION THEREOF IN VACCINES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute pages 1 and 2 of the specification as originally filed with pages 1 and 2 as filed in the Article 34 amendment of October 15, 1999. The pages are marked "AMENDED SHEET" and are attached hereto.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute Claims 1-20 as originally filed with Claims 1-18 as filed in the Article 34 amendment of October 15, 1999, and which are attached hereto and marked "AMENDED SHEET". Following the insertion of Claims 1-18, please amend these claims as follows: